

Hobbs, NM –Friday, February 12th Congressman Harry Teague will be in Roswell to host a roundtable discussion on Katie's Law. The discussion will focus on the local and statewide impacts of Katie's Law, and the benefits of creating a national version of the law.

The roundtable will include Jayann Sepich - Katie Sepich's mother, Roswell Sherriff Robert Coon, Captain Oscar Gonzales- District 3 Commander for the New Mexico State Police, Chaves County Manager Stan Riggs, Police Chief PD Smith and criminal investigations unit officers, as well as members of the Roswell Safe Community Coalition Board. Due to space limitations, the event is not open to the public but the media is encouraged to attend .

The roundtable event comes a week after Congressman Teague announced that he introduced legislation that would make New Mexico's Katie's Law the national standard for DNA matching and collection. Katie's Law has directly led to 101 successful convictions of cases in New Mexico that otherwise may have gone unsolved, and twenty-one other states have adopted similar legislation. The legislation was named after Katie Sepich. Katie , a native of Carlsbad, was a 22 year old student at NMSU when she was brutally raped and murdered. For more information on the effort to make Katie's Law national, [click here](#) .

Roswell

WHAT: Katie's Law Roundtable Discussion

WHEN: Friday, February 12th, 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM

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